

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE PORT OF COWES FOR 1967

SECTION 1 - Staff
TABLE A

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SECTION II - Amount of shipping entering the district
during the year
TABLE B

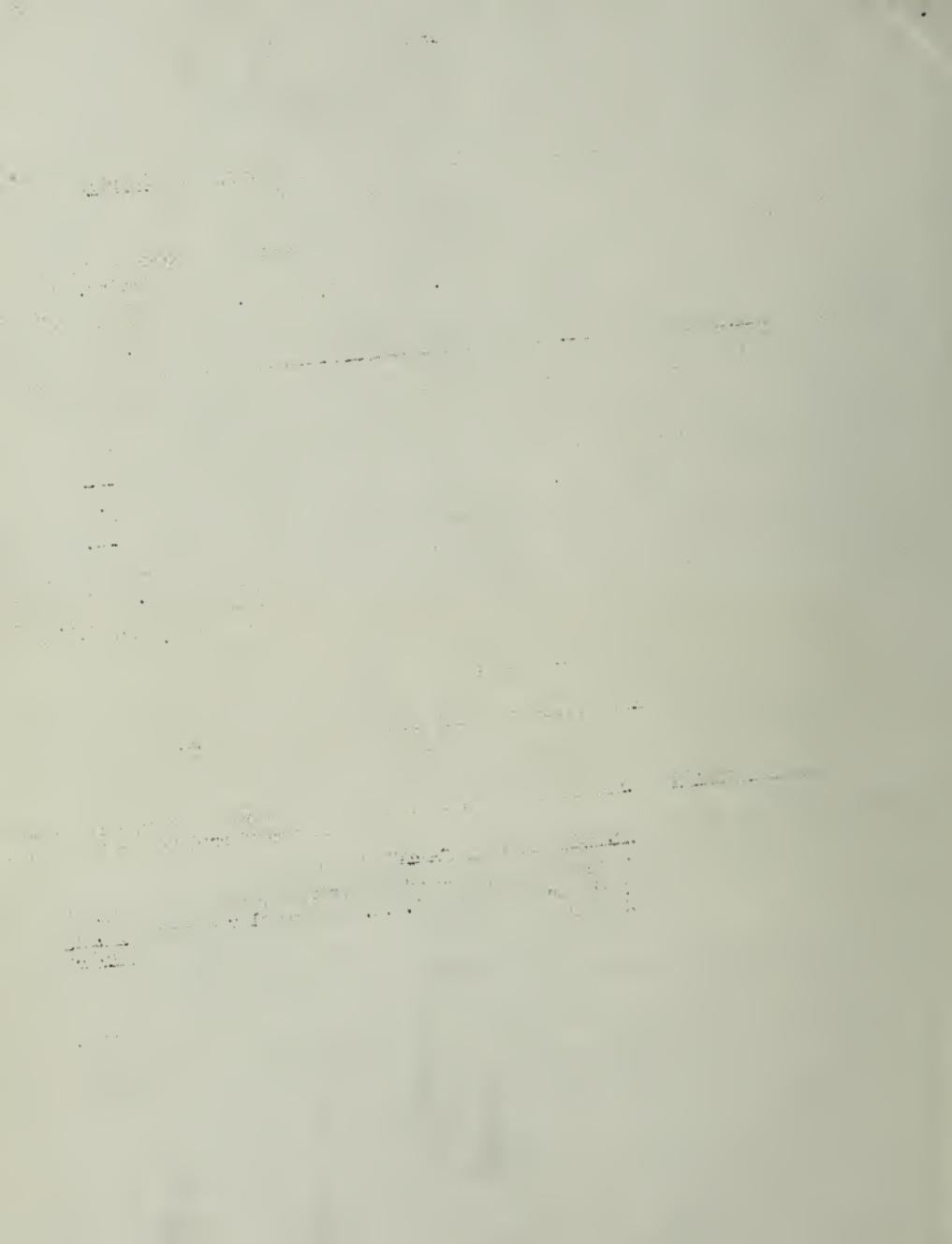
Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected By the M.O.H.	By the P.H. Insp.	Number of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board.
Foreign ports	45	9,158	Nil	45	Nil
Locally	164	70,945	Nil	164	Nil
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	209	80,103	Nil	209	Nil
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The Southampton and Isle of Wight Steam Packet Company run a regular frequent service of
Steamers from Southampton to the Port not included in the above figures. This service
varies from 7 sailings daily each way in the winter to 14 or more in the summer. There
is also a Hovercraft service from Cowes to Southampton and Portsmouth, doing 10 or more
crossings each way daily.

SECTION III - Character of shipping and trade
during the year
TABLE C

<u>Passenger Traffic</u>	<u>No. of passengers inwards:</u>	Seven foreign seamen were landed and transferred to local hospitals.
	<u>No. of passengers outwards:</u>	Nil
	Vehicular traffic carried by the Southampton & I.O.W. Steam Packet Co.:	Private cars Commercial vehicles TOTAL:
		95,537 30,511 <u>126,048</u>

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Passenger Traffic:

Southampton & I.O.W. Steam Packet Co.	1,147,000
Hovercraft	72,000
TOTAL	<u>1,219,000</u>

Cargo Traffic

Principal IMPORTS:

Coal, Petrol & Domestic Fuel Oil,
Stone, Timber, Shingle, Liquid Butane.

Principal EXPORTS:

Agricultural produce, Light
Manufactured Goods, Spent Oxide.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive:

Tyne, Scottish & S.Wales Ports: Coal and Manufactured fuels.
Southampton and London: Petrol and butane.
Newlyn and Falmouth: Stone
Scandinavian Ports: Timber

There were also many hundred private yachts which visited
the Port during the summer season.

SECTION IV - Inland Barge Traffic

There is considerable barge traffic between Cowes and Newport in the Isle of Wight and Southampton and Portsmouth on the Mainland.

	<u>Total No.</u>	<u>Net Tonnage</u>
Arriving Cowes	1,498	123,808
Arriving Newport	1,494	92,636
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	2,992	216,444
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SECTION V - Water Supply

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SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952

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SECTION VII - Smallpox

- (1) Smallpox cases would be sent to Ashey Isolation Hospital, after consultation with the District Medical Officer together with the appropriate physician.
- (2) Ambulance transport would be by arrangement with the County Medical Officer of Health.
- (3) The smallpox consultant available is Dr. J. Mills, County Hall, Newport, Isle of Wight.
- (4) Laboratory diagnosis for smallpox would be by the Public Health Laboratory Service, Colindale.

SECTION VIII - Venereal Disease

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SECTION IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships

TABLE D

<u>Category</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>No. of cases during the year</u>	<u>No. ships concerned</u>
		<u>Passengers</u>	<u>Crew</u>
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.		Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.		Nil	Nil

SECTION X - Observation on the occurrence of malaria in ships

No cases have arisen of malaria during the year.

SECTION XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague

No cases have arisen of suspected plague during the year.

SECTION XII - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports

- (1) All ships arriving at the port are boarded by the Public Health Inspector who inspects the deratification certificate.
- (2) Rodents would be sent to the County Laboratory at the Royal Isle of Wight County Hospital, Ryde. No cases have been sent during the year.
- (3) All ships for deratting are referred to Southampton Port Health Authority.
- (4) By arrangement with the Port Health Authority, Southampton, all ships for rat proofing are referred to that port.

TABLE E
Rodents destroyed during the year in
ships from foreign ports

No rodents were destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for nuisances

No nuisances have been complained of during the year.

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations
1934 and 1948

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SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous

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